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For: CONTROL METHOD AND ELECTRONIC  
DEVICE ENABLING RECOGNITION OF  
FUNCTIONS INSTALLED IN THE  
ELECTRONIC DEVICE

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated October 8, 2003, finally rejecting claims 1-19, applicant submits the following amendments and remarks.